



Thomas J. Dodd
Former U.S. Ambassador to Uruguay

Biographical Data

Thomas J. Dodd served as the United States Ambassador to Uruguay from 1993-1997 and to Costa Rica from 1997-2001.

Previously, he was a Professor of Latin American History and Diplomacy at Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service. From 1969-1973, he was the Director of the Latin American Studies Program for Georgetown's graduate school.

Between 1971 and 1991, he was a Lecturer at several institutions, including the Foreign Service Institute, the Defense Intelligence College, the National Defense University, and the Instituto Tecnológico de los Estudios Superiores in Guadalajara, Mexico. From 1970-1972, he served as a consultant to the Policy and Coordination Staff in the Office of the Secretary of State. He worked for the State Department again when he was Chairman of the Advanced Seminar on Central America and the Spanish Caribbean at the Foreign Service Institute from 1981-1986.



He has been a member of the Faculty Advisory Board for the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy since 1982 and has presented lectures to the Business Council on International Understanding at American University since 1984. He is a member of numerous professional societies including the American Historical Association, Caribbean Studies Association and the Inter-American Council, serving as President (1976-1977 and 1985-1986).

He was a Second Lieutenant at Ft. Holabird in Baltimore from 1958-1959. From 1960-1961, he was a Captain in the US Army, Military Intelligence Detachment with the 49th Armored Division. He was awarded the US Army Commendation Medal in 1961. He received his B.S. in 1957 from Georgetown's School of Foreign Service.

In addition to an M.A. and a Ph.D. from The George Washington University, he studied at the Universities of Barcelona and Santander in Spain, Iberoamericana in Mexico, and at the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies.

Ambassador Dodd's books include: *Managing Democracy in Central America: US and Nicaragua, 1927-1933* and *The Letters of Tomás Herrán and the Panama Crisis, 1900-1903*.

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